

**Congress  
of the  
United States  
House of Representatives**  
**JOHN F. TIERNEY**  
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**SIXTH DISTRICT**



September 30, 1999

Mr. Dennis K. Rathbun  
Director  
Office Of Congressional Affairs  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Rathbun:

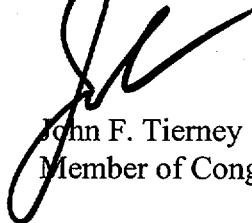
I write to request information concerning the Seabrook, N.H. nuclear facility.

Specifically, I request definitive information on actions/precautions implemented or ready to be implemented at Seabrook to prevent possible problems from Y2K issues including:

- Back up diesel generators in the event of coolant failure or some other external electricity supply available to maintain circulation of sufficient water to cool the radioactive core and also to keep spent fuel cool.
- A contingency plan in case of an accident related to Y2K including evacuation plans, availability of potassium iodide tablets for use to block the absorption of radioactive iodine by the thyroid gland and a means for effective distribution to the potentially exposed populace.

I thank you in advance for your prompt reply.

Sincerely,



John F. Tierney  
Member of Congress

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